

About the Instructions



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Part 1: Strategic planning and performance measure instructions (issued November 4, 2003)

Part 2: Budget request instructions

We hope that this approach better supports the budget preparation needs of agencies, the Legislature, and OFM and that it enables us to make better use of the planning and performance information we need in evaluating budget proposals.

What is in the Part 2 instructions?

Part 2 of the 2005-07 budget instructions includes guidance on:

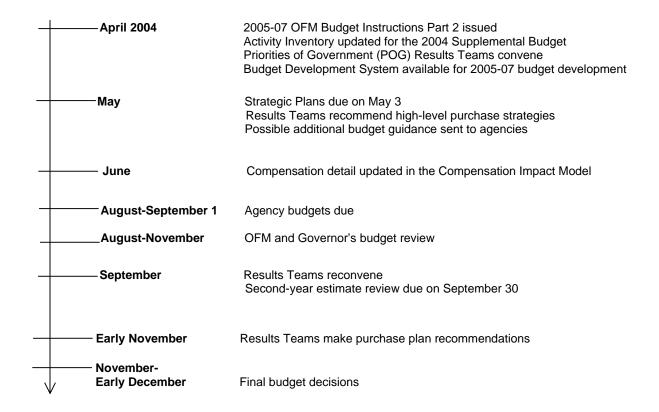
- Budget request basics submittal components and format requirements,
- Producing decision package and Recommendation Summary documents.
- Items to include in carry-forward, maintenance, and performance levels.
- Allocating maintenance level subtotals and performance level decision packages to activities,
- Performance measure and activity description submittal requirements,
- Linking operating and capital budgets,
- Maintenance level, revenue and other coding requirements,
- Technology portfolios, and
- Developing good cost estimates.

Look for the sign to find items required for submittal

We have used this symbol to help you find budget submittal requirements quickly.

Timeline of major budget events in the current year

For general planning purposes, here is a timeline of the major budget events in preparation of the Governor's budget.



Look for the sign for new items.

We have used this symbol to flag requirements or tools that are new or changed from the instructions from last biennium. New in the instructions:

- The Priorities of Government framework will be better integrated with the budget development process. This year, OFM will convene teams of subject-matter experts around each of the 11 statewide results. The teams will be charged with recommending strategies and activity purchase plans that can best achieve results for citizens. (See Section 1.1.)
- Agency budgets will now be developed by activity. We have modified the agency and OFM budget development systems to enable the budget to be developed by activity as well as by increment. These systems now contain activity inventory description information that is linked to the budget database. Agencies must allocate the maintenance level subtotal and each performance level decision package to activities. (See Section 2.)

- Agencies will not be required to submit compensation base information (B6) with the budget this year. (See Section 7.)
- Agencies will enter performance measure estimates into the new activity budgeting system. Performance measures must now be linked to agency activities. Each activity must have at least one performance measure or a statement of expected results. (See Section 9.)
- Agencies will review and confirm second-year expenditure estimates developed by OFM. (See Section 13.6.)